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Applicants' Election of Species amendment, filed 1/27/03, is considered to be non-responsive because applicants have not elected any of the claimed molecular compounds (which are selected from the group consisting of hydrates, solvates, adducts and clathrate compounds) as defined by the present claims. Instead, applicants have elected a phenol derivative (compound number 38 in Table 1 is a phenol derivative of formula 1) which is a reactant that is used to prepare the presently claimed molecular compounds. Applicants are required to elect a species of the presently claimed molecular compounds selected from the group consisting of hydrates, solvates, adducts and clathrate compounds. Applicants have a one month time period, from the mail date of this non-responsive notice, to reply accordingly.

  
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